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SUBJECT: (U) REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON IRAQ'S  
KEY PROVINCIAL LEADERS (C-IA9-01240)

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[1](#)1. (C/NF) WASHINGTON ANALYSTS GREATLY APPRECIATED POSTS' INSIGHTS ON IRAQ'S PROVINCIAL LEADERS. REFS PROVIDED USEFUL AND UNIQUE PERSPECTIVES ENABLING US TO PROVIDE SENIOR POLICYMAKERS WITH MORE DYNAMIC ASSESSMENTS OF IRAQ'S LEADERS AND INFLUENTIAL DECISIONMAKERS. AS THE NATIONAL ELECTION APPROACHES IN EARLY 2010, WE WOULD APPRECIATE CONTINUED POST AND PRT REPORTING, AS TIME AND RESOURCES PERMIT, ON THE EDUCATION, BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION, MOTIVATIONS, POLITICAL OBJECTIVES, PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE, LANGUAGE SKILLS, PERSONAL INTERESTS, STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES, AND FAMILY HISTORY OF NATIONAL, PROVINCIAL, AND MILITARY LEADERS.

[1](#)2. (C/NF) WE WOULD WELCOME POSTS' INSIGHTS ON THE MOST INFLUENTIAL FIGURES IN EACH PROVINCE AND WE ARE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN THE NEW GOVERNORS, FIRST DEPUTY GOVERNORS, SECOND DEPUTY GOVERNORS, CHAIRMEN OF PROVINCIAL COUNCILS, DEPUTY CHAIRMEN OF PROVINCIAL COUNCILS, AND POLICE CHIEFS. INDIVIDUALS THAT EXERCISE UNOFFICIAL, OR BEHIND-THE-SCENES, POLITICAL INFLUENCE, INCLUDING LOCAL/REGIONAL RELIGIOUS FIGURES, PARTY LEADERS, AND TRIBAL LEADERS ARE ALSO OF GREAT INTEREST. MANY THANKS, AND REGARDS FROM WASHINGTON.

[1](#)3. (U/FOUO) AS A NEW ELECTION APPROACHES IN FEBRUARY 2010, WE WELCOME POSTS' INVALUABLE REPORTING ON THE BELOW POINTS:

1) (C/REL USA, AUS, CAN, GBR, NZL) WHAT ARE THE LEADERS, PERSONAL INTERESTS, MOTIVATIONS, POLITICAL OBJECTIVES, STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES, PERSONAL BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION, FAMILY HISTORY, EDUCATION, PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE, AND LANGUAGE SKILLS?

2) (C/REL USA, AUS, CAN, GBR, NZL) WHAT ARE THEIR POLITICAL ASPIRATIONS, CONSTITUENCIES, AND LEADERSHIP PROSPECTS? WHAT ARE THEIR PLANS FOR THE GOVERNORATE, INCLUDING THEIR NEGOTIATING STYLE AND MANAGERIAL STYLE?

3) (C/REL USA, AUS, CAN, GBR, NZL) IS THERE ANY PERTINENT INFORMATION ON THESE LEADERS WHICH WOULD ENLIGHTEN US OFFICIALS TO THE LEADER'S CHARACTER? WHAT IS THEIR STANCE ON

INTERACTING WITH US OFFICIALS, US POLICY, AND COALITION FORCES?

4) (C/REL USA, AUS, CAN, GBR, NZL) WHAT IS THEIR HISTORY OF POLITICAL AFFILIATIONS AND WHAT IS THEIR CURRENT AFFILIATION? WHAT ARE THEIR TIES TO INTERNATIONAL LEADERS, AS WELL AS PRIME MINISTER MALIKI OR OTHER NATIONAL-LEVEL POLITICIANS? WHAT IS THE NATURE OF THEIR RELATIONSHIP WITH PROMINENT RELIGIOUS OR TRIBAL LEADERS?

14. (U) PLEASE CITE C-IA9-01240 IN THE SUBJECT LINE OF REPORTING IN RESPONSE TO THE ABOVE QUESTIONS.  
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